

Dear FCC regulators,

Thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts with you.

I admit that I do not have all the information on this new technology available to the air waves for commercial use. I have heard in vague terms about a new FM band coming to us. Apparently, it is here and ready to be used.

I don't think that movement forward in technology is a bad thing. I do not feel like I will be missing out on some nostalgic childhood memory if changes are made. However, I do believe that time must be allowed for the conversation so that small stations who use the FM translators will have a chance to upgrade their equipment without undue strain on their finances. I am an avid listener of the radio. Many stations during the course of the day. Two of the stations that have had the biggest impact in my life in the last 3.5 years have been brought to me via FM Translators. In fact, I just recently sent an email to one's head station requesting that the signal be made stronger because it competes with another station. That's how important these radio stations are to me.

If what I have heard and read is true, that these LPFM will force the FM Translators off the air, then I beg you to reconsider. Give a fair time line to these small stations that have such an impact on the local communities. I understand that some may be lost because of the cost, but to lose most or all would be a tragedy.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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